



**The City of Alexandria  
Workforce Development Center**

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Or in-person: JobLink Alexandria Workforce Development Center  
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**Two-Day Job Search Boot Camp (Intermediate)**  
**On-going: Tuesday and Wednesday**  
**9 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

*Do you need to tone and strengthen your job finding skills? Sign up for the Job Search Boot Camp and have your job search skills assessed and improve your job search through training and practice!*

-  Whip your resume into shape or create your first resume
-  March confidently into an interview
-  Learn how to build your team of support
-  Find out where to find that first or next job
-  Master your interview skills to get that job

**Day One**

**Skills Identification**

Learn to identify your skills, types of skills needed for various occupations, how and where to acquire these skills and how best to describe them when applying for a job.

**Job Research**

This workshop emphasizes a comprehensive approach to job search: the importance of being focused, knowing where to find jobs, uncovering the hidden job market, networking, and learning what the Career Center can do for you.

**Day Two**

**Finding the Hidden Job Market**

Networking is the game changer for finding the jobs before everyone else does. Identify your network and learn how to leverage this resource to find hidden jobs and increase your chances for getting an interview.

**Mastering the Job Interview**

Learn to connect with the interviewer, express yourself confidently and distinguish yourself from other candidates. Become knowledgeable of current interviewing processes and practices. Know how to answer the most common and important interview questions through interactive, hands-on exercises.

**Basic Computer Training**  
**On-going: 2nd & 4th Monday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

**Introduction to Basic Computer Training** **Two-6 hour Sessions**

This workshop is intended for participants who are new to computer or are seeking to refresh their basics computer skills. Participants will learn basic computer functions such as turning a computer on and off, starting and closing programs. This course will focus on basic computer skills using Microsoft 7 operating system and Microsoft's Word 2010.

**Introduction to Microsoft Word 2010** **Two—6 hour Sessions**

In this course you will learn valuable word processing skills like creating, saving and retrieving documents; inserting and deleting text; formatting text; and using cut, copy and paste. Before you take this course, you should have some experience with the computer and the Windows operating system.

**Career Search Tools (Basic)**  
**Ongoing: Tuesday 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

*This intro workshop is designed for first-time entrants into the workforce or persons who have been out of the job market for a while.*

**Basic Resume Writing**

Learn to create an attractive and effective resume. Pre-requisite: You must bring a copy of your most recent resume **OR** complete the Sample Employment Application which you can find in the Career Center.

**Completing a Job Application**

Gain a better understanding of the importance of completing all questions on a job application.

**Job Search**

Finding a good position can be challenging. In this workshop, you will learn search strategies that will enable you to find job openings via the Internet, networking, using social media, and professional associations.

**Dress for Success**

When interviewing for a job, first impressions are critical. This workshop offers techniques and simple steps that will assist job seekers in dressing for an interview.

**The Art of Interviewing**

The perfect workshop for those with little experience interviewing or have not interviewed in a while. Topics covered are: **before** the interview – preparation, proper attire, what to take; **during** the interview – body language, common interview questions, do's & don'ts; **closing** the interview—asking questions, next steps in the process, follow-up practices.

**Specialty Training Workshops**  
**Recurring Monthly**

**Employment Strategies for Experienced Workers 50+**

Employers value the talents that mature workers bring to the workplace. If you are 50 or older, you can refresh your job skills and re-enter the workforce. Learn strategies and resources experienced job seekers can use to launch a job search and find gainful and meaningful employment.

**Resume & Cover Letter Critique**

Matching your skills and experience to an employer's needs is the key to developing your winning resumes and cover letters. Learn to market yourself effectively by revising and refining your resume and cover letter. Bring a copy of your resume as well as job postings you are interested in.

**Employment Strategies for Ex-Offenders**

This workshop addresses the unique barriers to employment faced by persons with a felony conviction. Learn strategies to overcome those barriers during the job search process. This workshop is open to the public but is most beneficial for those that have a criminal record or know someone who does.

**Completing an Effective Employment Application**

This workshop will demonstrate why it is important to complete all questions on a job application.

**How to Create a LinkedIn Account?**

This workshop will teach you how to create a LinkedIn account and give you tips on how to expand your job search through social media.

**Basic Resume Writing**

This course teaches you not just what a resume should look like, but what it should say. It walks you step-by-step through the creation of the most common sections found on resumes in today's job market. **Pre-requisite: Basic computer skills.**

**Hard Skills/Soft Skills: What Are Employer Look For**

*In this workshop, participants will learn the difference between hard skills and soft skills, top soft skills employers look for in a candidate and the importance of soft skills in getting and keeping a job.*

**Ace the Interview**

This workshop offers information on current interviewing processes and practices. Participants will learn how to answer the most common and important interview questions through interactive, hands-on exercises.



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Center for Economic Support

# Career Readiness Workshops

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Hours of Operation: Monday — Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.



Workshops are offered at **NO COST**. However, **Pre-registration is Required**

**MARCH 2015**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 <i>Orientation 9 a.m. Introduction to Computers: Window 7/ Office 2010, Part 1 9:00 a.m.—4 p.m.</i>	3 <i>Career Search Tools (Basic) 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.</i>	4 <i>Ace the Interview 9 a.m. – 10 :30 am</i>	5 <i>Basic Resume Writing 1:00—2:30 p.m.</i>	6
9 <i>Orientation 9 a.m.</i>	10 <i>2-Day Job Search Boot Camp Part I (Intermediate) 9 a. m. to 2 p.m.</i>	11 <i>2-Day Job Search Boot Camp Part II (Intermediate) 9 a. m. to 2 p.m.</i>	12 <i>Completing An Effective Employment Application—Online 1:30 p.m.—3:00 p.m.</i>	13
16 <i>Orientation 9 a.m. Introduction to Computers: Window 7/ Office 2010, Part II 9:00 a.m.—4 p.m.</i>	17 <i>Career Search Tools (Basic) 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.</i>	18 <i>Basic Resume Writing 1:00—2:30 p.m.</i>	19 <i>Employment Strategies for Experienced 50+ 1:00 pm —2:30 pm</i>	20
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**On-Site Partners  
Contact Information**

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**Alexandria Commission on Em-  
ployment (ACE)**  
[alexandriava.gov/boards/  
info/default.aspx?id=36532](http://alexandriava.gov/boards/info/default.aspx?id=36532)

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**Department of Aging and  
Rehabilitative Services**  
[www.vadrs.org](http://www.vadrs.org)

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**Catholic Charities Migration &  
Refugee Service**  
[www.ccca.net](http://www.ccca.net)

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**National Council on Aging  
(NCOA), Senior Community  
Services Employment  
Program**  
571.335.4027  
[www.ncoa.org](http://www.ncoa.org)

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**Virginia Veterans Virginia  
Wounded Warrior  
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